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Smashing the Solomon amendment and military access to student soldiers

By AVI KATZ

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For a little less than two years, the Solomon Amendment has held Willamette as its proverbial financial hostage. The amendment gave the US government the right to withhold federal funding from educational institutions that prohibited the military from recruiting law schools students on campus.

Many schools, including Willamette, have strict non-discrimination standards, which deny on-campus recruitment by organizations that discriminate based on sexual orientation. The United States armed forces falls under this category.

Administrators were left with the choice to compromise on their non-discrimination policy or potentially lose hundreds of thousands of dollars in federal funding. After much protest, Willamette University did acquiesce to the military's request for on-campus recruitment so as to not lose important federal work-study funds.

However, with the Third Circuit Court of Appeals' recent decision to overturn the Solomon Amendment freed Willamette University from this uneasy compromise and the university is free to not accommodate military recruiters.

"This ruling means that the government cannot condition federal funding on law school's compliance with the Solomon Amendment," Law Professor Sam Jacobsen said.

"Within the Third Circuit, any educational institution will be able to assert their nondiscrimination policies without fear of losing federal funds."

Enacted in 1995, the Solomon Amendment was intended to allow military access to potential law school graduates for the Navy's Judge Advocate General (JAG) program on law and justice. The amendment was modified in 1997 to allow not just Department of Defense funding to be withheld from institutions that did not comply, but funding from other government

agencies as well.

The Amendment was further modified in 2000 to make not only the law schools of universities liable for prohibiting military recruiters, but the entire university as a whole. For Willamette, violating the Solomon Amendment meant losing approximately \$600,000 in work-study funds that would have had a significant impact on the university's ability to offer students jobs.

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Math club shows off skills in casual setting

By CHRIS FOSS

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There's a lot of crunching going on in Collins 201. This is the first sign that it is far from a normal class session. Food is not the only thing being crunched, however. There is some serious number crunching here as well.

On the first and third Wednesdays of every month, the Willamette Math Club meets to enrich its members' love of math by engaging in experiences they would not have in the classroom, according to advisor and mathematics professor Colin Starr. "Just seeing what's out there, that's really the big thing," Starr said. "There are a lot of fun things you can do."

Most often club members meet to work on problems from the quarterly mathematics journal Horizons. Starr said that the atmosphere is much more casual than a typical class setting and affords the participants an opportunity to work in groups on solving challenging problems. "This is a nice place to see some problems that don't just show up in the back of your calculus book," he said.

Last month the club was able to determine the correct answer to one of the problems in Horizons. Club president sophomore Steve Lester wrote up the problem and submitted it to the journal, which he said should list the club as one of the correct respondents in its next issue.

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THE MATH CLUB

When: Normal meetings are on the first and third Wednesdays of every month at 3 p.m. The club watches movies on the second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m.

Where: Collins 201 for normal meetings; Collins 205 for the movies

Activities: Horizons journal problem solving, discussion of broader topics in the field of mathematics, guest lectures and movies.

Who: Anyone with an interest in math!

Bringing down the wall

Safety precautions are leading to the destruction of the old rock wall, but a new, safer wall may be constructed soon

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Hearing that the wall is coming down may cause Willamette students to picture mass protests, large chunks of graffiti-ed cement, and the end of communism in Germany. Here on campus, however, we have a different wall slated for destruction: the climbing wall in Sparks.

While the decision to disassemble a portion of this cement facility may not carry the same political implications as the Berlin Wall, it has nonetheless prompted both discussion and action across campus.

"There hasn't been a excess of climbing interest campus-wide, but we do get a core group of people who use the wall for training, some that come occasionally and have slowly gotten into it and a larger group of people that try it out just for the experience," said senior Jon Shea who has been involved with the wall the majority of his four years on campus.

That is why news that the wall is no

longer in use except for bouldering (climbing without the use of ropes below a certain height) has sparked mixed reactions across campus.

Director of Campus Recreation Bryan Schmidt explained the reason for closing the wall to rope climbing. "Due to the fact that the wall was built by volunteers before there were either industry standards or the amount of litigation that exists now, it doesn't meet certain safety guidelines."

Aside from the intended obstacles, the current climbing situation presents further hazards including the absence of a substantial impact mat and no way to close off the climbing area when it is not properly supervised.

According to Schmidt, all this means an increase in risk in an already potentially dangerous activity.

"It's not just an issue of insurance. Sure, the liability is there. However for me, it's more the fact that these are human beings that are climbing



MICHELLE THERIAULT

Student interest will determine whether a new wall is built.

on this wall. I don't want to risk the type of injury they might suffer if something went wrong," he said.

Senior Bryan Short, a veteran climber of nine years, looks at the closure with mixed reactions. "It's frustrating to see something that a few of us have put so much into being taken down. Yet at the same time, the people that train to climb on a regular basis don't really use the part of the wall that is closed."

Schmidt has taken the initiative to sample campus to determine where student priorities are and where funding should go.

He has also contacted Enterprises, a company located in Bend that manufactured the walls used in past X-Games. They have estimated a cost of approximately \$70 per square foot for a new wall that could be located in one of the racquetball courts.

Short is optimistic that a new wall would bring renewed interest across campus and the community to the art of climbing.

"There are only a small number of people into it now but if we did a good job with the wall, talked to experienced climbers when designing and building it, we might get more people to start up," he said.

For his part, Schmidt supports whatever Willamette students want.

"If people feel passionate about building a new wall then that's what we'll focus on. My actions are fueled by student interest and a desire for safety. I want students to have fun, to have the experience, just not at the cost of someone's health."



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Willamette's climbing wall is currently out of commission. Bouldering is still allowed, but rope climbing is prohibited until further notice.

Public Eye

MORTAR BOARD SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR PROFESSOR OF THE YEAR

Mortar Board, the Willamette honor society for service-oriented seniors is currently in the process of selecting their annual Professor of the Year. Nomination forms for the professor of the year will be distributed through campus mail and can be submitted at the information desk in the University Center. Members of Mortar Board will vote on the award-winning professor from the pool of nominees. The official announcement of the Professor of the Year will be made early next semester.

HEALTH CENTER CLOSURES FOR HOLIDAYS

The Bishop Wellness Center will be closed for service starting at 3 p.m. on Dec. 17. The center will resume its services on Jan. 17 at 8 a.m. Students in need of medical care prior to Winter Break are encouraged to call the center at 503-370-6062 for an appointment.

MIDNIGHT SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY NIGHT

The annual WEB-sponsored Midnight Breakfast is scheduled to take place this Sunday from 10 p.m. to midnight. The Annual Events Committee is organizing the event, which aims to give students entertainment and relaxation time during the finals study day. The breakfast will take place in Goudy and is free to students with a valid Willamette ID.

WEB HOSTS ANNUAL SLEIGHBELL BALL

The annual winter celebration, the Sleighbell Ball, will be held this Friday from 9 p.m. to midnight in the Grand Ballroom. Willamette Events Board is sponsoring the dance, which had previously been hosted by the House of Hall Representatives. The Grand Ballroom is located at 197 High St. NE, above the Grand Vines imported wines and eatery. The event is free to all members of the Willamette community.

Talk of the Millstream

Since this is our last issue of the Collegian for the semester, we here at the TOMS desk decided to offer a survival guide of sorts for the holidays.

Specifically, we want to address the nagging problem at the back of every senior's mind: what the hell are you going to tell all your friends and family, the neighbors, the checker at the grocery store, the lady who sits in your pew at church, and your stylist/barber when they inevitably pop the \$64,000 question: "So, big senior huh? What are your plans after graduation?"

Few questions strike such fear into students' hearts. Now don't get us wrong, we know that there are fellow seniors out there who have had everything planned out from day one at Willamette.

They're the ones who always get their homework done, have always done the reading, keep a 4.0 and still have time to work at the soup kitchen on weekends—oh, and did we mention that they're really nice?

Yeah, we kind of hate them. They'll be going on to med school before entering the field of pediatric oncology or going to work for Doctors Without Borders.

As for the rest of us, the silent majority, we need to talk evasion strategy. That's right, we shouldn't have to be hassled with telling everyone we know exactly what we're doing next year—because we don't have a clue!!!

We got a taste of the onslaught of interrogations over Thanksgiving, but we got through that by mumbling something

about the Peace Corps and changing the subject. This time around, the break is longer and it's going to be more difficult.

There are a couple of tactics that we've found to be especially effective. You don't want to sound like that schmuck whose parents have spent thousands of dollars over the last four years only to discover that you haven't made any plans for your future.

First of all, make something up. The good thing about this line of defense is that the more things you make up, the more successful you'll sound. "Oh, you know, I was thinking about taking a year off to move to El Salvador and work with the poor. Or I might take an internship I've been offered under the White House Chief of Staff...that is, if I don't commit to taking a position on the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Backgammon Players."

They'll be so dazzled by your impressiveness at this point that they won't realize that it's all a farce.

If that doesn't work, there's always the grad school cop-out. If they ask what schools you're thinking about, make some up, or use the old fallback of Willamette College of Law.

And if you're really struggling, just abruptly walk away. Odds are they'll think you're insulted that they didn't already know, and they won't bother asking again.

If all else fails, hang out with the family pet. You know they won't care what you're doing next year.



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GREEK PROFILE



COURTESY OF BILL SANDBO

The men of SAE get donate their time at Delta Gamma's philanthropy, Anchor Splash.

Welcome to Sigma Alpha Epsilon

The Collegian sat down with senior Bill Sandbo, senior Roy Scheer and junior Win Head to talk about Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

What is the biggest misconception about SAE?

Scheer: The biggest misconception about SAE is that we're all athletes.

What makes SAE unique and different from other Willamette fraternities?

Head: We are much more diverse than most people think. We have guys participating in choir, forensics, band, BSO and Student Collaborative Research. For example, we have multiple people doing summer chemistry and physics research with professors.

You are the last fraternity at Willamette not to go dry, voluntarily or otherwise. Do you feel more pressure as a result?

Scheer: We face a challenge because obviously we are the only fraternity not dry, which means other fraternities are less in the spotlight for their actions, and we are more in the spotlight. We have to be accountable for our own members and make sure we don't make decisions that would jeopardize our status.

Head: It also means that some people will always see us as an outlet for drinking which is definitely a challenge to overcome. *Scheer:* I think our relationship has actually gotten better with Residence Life.

How do you support your philanthropy?

Sandbo: Our philanthropy is Doernbecher Children's Hospital. We have the field goal challenge in the fall, which raised over \$500. In the past we've had Dash for Cash, as well as Teeter-Totter-a-thon, as well as volunteering for Wulapalooza.

Scheer: Last year we also took a group trip to a retirement home in Dallas, Oregon to help with yard work and hang out.

A big part of your philosophy as a fraternity rests on the True Gentleman's creed printed on the wall inside your house. Can you tell us about the True Gentleman?

Sandbo: The True Gentleman is a set of ideals to live your life by. It was originally written for a newspaper writing contest, whoever could write the best paper about what a true gentleman was. A guy named John Walter Wayland wrote it and SAE adopted it.

Scheer: It talks about values of temperance and honesty and virtue, and having one's actions proceed from good virtue.

Head: If you live your life kind of by those ideals you have no obstacles; you can't help but be happy if you truly strive to live your life by those ideals.

If SAE was an animal, what animal would it be and why?

Sandbo: A lion, it's our mascot.

Head: We'd be bunny rabbits, because we are rated the #1 fraternity by Playboy Magazine.

the wednesday profile

By JEFFERY CARLSON

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Late last month, the College of Law lost the longest-teaching member of its faculty, Professor Carlton J. Snow, due to a massive brain hemorrhage. He would have turned 65 this month.

On Thursday, Nov. 19, Snow was talking with some students after a class on arbitration when he suddenly collapsed. The students administered CPR until he was taken to Salem Hospital in critical condition. All law classes were cancelled for the next day. He passed away that Friday, surrounded by friends and family.

The law college faculty and administration voiced their fondness for the late professor.

"He was an exceptional individual," Dean of the College of Law Symeon Symeonides said. "He was a great teacher, beloved and admired by students for all the right reasons. He was kind, respectful, articulate, and he really personified what a good, model law professor should be."

"He just loved teaching," said Professor Dean Richardson, who was second to Snow in terms of law faculty seniority.

Professor Jim Nafziger said, "He was a man of integrity and a very thoughtful person. I will greatly miss his thoughtfulness, his congeniality and his leadership."

According to Symeonides, Snow was a devoutly reli-

gious Episcopalian who considered entering the priesthood before going to law school. Snow entered the Willamette Law faculty in 1971, not long after earning his J.D. at the University of Wisconsin and a stint at Loyola University School of Law.

Over his 33 years of teaching, Snow served as dean, associate dean and assistant dean of the law school. Symeonides said that Snow was approaching the record 35-year tenure of John C. Paulus.

Snow won many accolades and awards, including a Certificate of Merit from the Association of Third World Students in 1983, the Burlington Northern Award for Teaching Excellence in 1992, and most recently

was voted Professor of the Year by Willamette law students in 2002. He wrote more than 30 major articles for legal journals and books.

Symeonides said that Snow's personality was always attuned to the well-being of his students. He recounted the story of an African-American student, Lorenzo Williams, from the Southeast during the late 1970s. Snow was assistant dean at the time.

Through correspondence and telephone calls, Snow convinced Williams to attend Willamette even though it was far from his place of upbringing. When Williams arrived at the Greyhound Bus station, Snow was there to pick him

up and assist him with accommodations.

"That showed the kind of person Carlton was," Symeonides said. "He was doing all the right things before it was fashionable, without expecting recognition or boasting about it. He did these things quietly."

Richardson said that Snow thought "the most wonderful thing about the world was diversity" and that he "connected with all kinds of students."

Snow's particular field of expertise was arbitration law and contracts, which he taught at the college. A renowned arbitrator, Snow handled many cases and issued over 3,000 decisions.

His last completed case dealt with a dispute between the Portland Police Bureau and the police officers over wages and working conditions.

"He was the perfect arbitrator, for he inspired respect and trust in those whom he aided in settling disputes," Symeonides said.

Professor Nafziger said that Snow was "strongly committed to providing a means for advancing social policy and resolving disputes in a humane matter."

"He was committed to justice, fairness, and hard work," Richardson said. "Carlton was a very elegant, dignified man who was more like a Mormon missionary or upstanding New Englander than a Northwest person, but he loved to hike and live here."

According to Nafziger, Snow "had a distinctive style" in teaching, based on the Socratic Method.

"He taught that way in order to get students to ask the right questions and come up with the right answers on their own," he

said. "Other law professors also do it, but he was the master of it."

Snow's wife, Sally, died just two months ago from cancer.

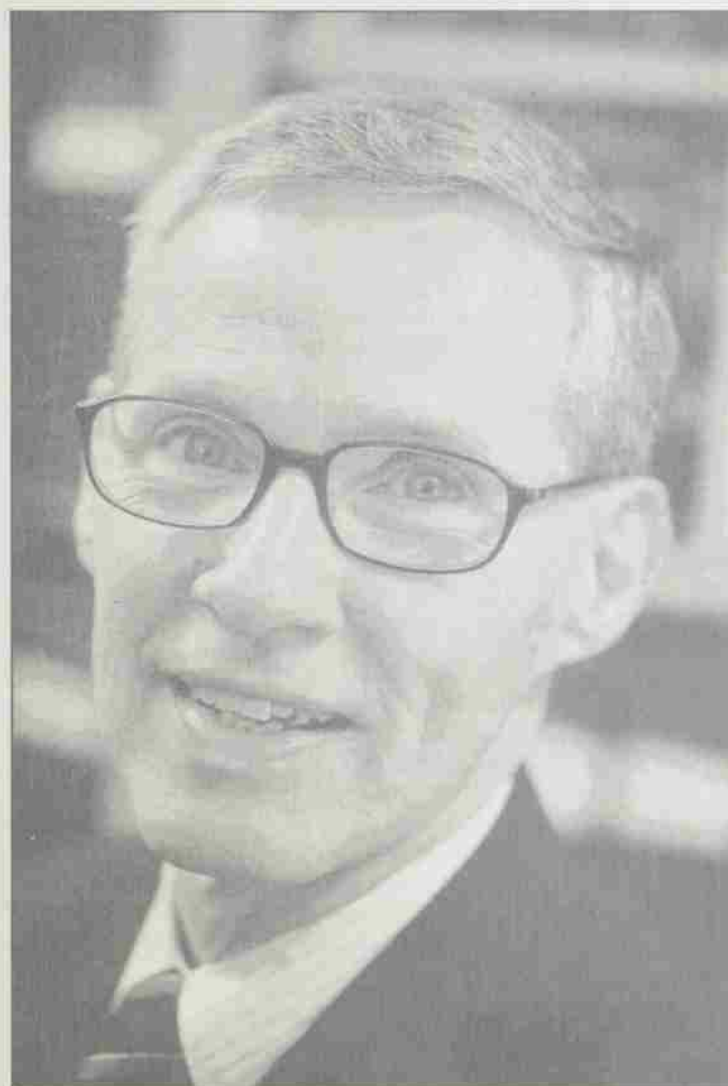
Though he was beginning to recover from his devastating loss by beginning to make jokes again in class, Symeonides speculated that the stress caused by the death of his wife may have been a factor in his own

death.

Carlton Snow is survived by his son and daughter, Nate and Katie. A memorial scholarship fund for Willamette law students has been established in his name.

In order to give law students time for finals, Snow's life and memory will be celebrated in a memorial service on Jan. 22 at 2 p.m. in Hudson Hall.

In memory of Carlton J. Snow "THE MODEL PROFESSOR" Remembering the life of one of Willamette's most dedicated law professors 1939-2004



(COURTESY OF OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS)

Willamette College of Law recently lost professor Carlton Snow who passed away unexpectedly on Nov. 19. A memorial service will be offered Jan. 22 at 2p.m. in Hudson Hall.

University victorious in military recruitment case

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The Willamette Board of Trustees contested the Amendment and the potential financial impact. However the University compromised when the funding was on the verge of being removed.

"I am tremendously proud of our Board of Trustees and our administration for how vigorously they fought this unfair amendment, up until the very last minute," Dean of Campus Life Bob Hawkinson said. "The faculty, staff and students stood up against this under intense pressure. The decision vindicates our position on non-discrimination."

Willamette University was not party to the suit *FAIR v. Rumsfeld*, filed in the Third Circuit Court. However, it was a member of the Association of American Law Schools that filed amicus (friendly supportive) briefs on behalf of the schools challenging Solomon.

It remains to be seen whether the federal government will appeal the two to one decisions to the Supreme Court. It is also unknown whether schools outside the Third Circuit's jurisdiction will file suit to clarify whether the overturning of the Amendment applies to campuses outside of the Third Circuit's immediate area.

Club hopes to be published in Horizons math journal

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Lester said that the club usually gets stuck on Horizons problems, but not on this occasion. "We just keep looking at the problems and trying to do them," he said. "Once you see where you're going (on this problem), it's not a very difficult problem," he said.

Club sophomore Jessica Gospe emphasized the importance of the group's work. "The club is a fun way to learn math while hanging out with others who share my enthusiasm," she said. "Sending in a solution was definitely a big step for the club."

Starr emphasized that one of the club's key strengths is its ability to add breadth not covered in

the regular mathematics curriculum. As an example, he cited a recent guest lecture by Willamette senior Anna-Lisa Breiland, who spoke to the group about the latest research into applying knot theory to mathematics. Starr said that since Willamette doesn't have a course in knot theory, students would not be exposed to this contemporary research if not for the Math Club.

Other guest lecturers this year included senior Craig Webster and Linfield College mathematics professor Jennifer Nordstrom. In addition to lectures and problems, the club also watches math-themed movies once a month.

THINK YOU'RE INTERESTED? TRY A PROBLEM....

QUESTION: We have one square of each of the following side lengths: 1, 3, 5, 7, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 18, and 21. Can we form a rectangle using these eleven squares without overlap?

SOLUTION: It is impossible to construct a rectangle from the given squares. The sum of the area of the squares is 1660 units, which is equal to the area of the desired rectangle. This number has a prime factorization of $2 \times 2 \times 5 \times 83$, which may be rewritten as 20×83 . Since the side of one of the squares is 21 units, one side of the constructed rectangle will be at least 21 units. But, the largest the smaller side of the desired rectangle can be is 20 units, by the prime factorization. Therefore, it is impossible to construct a rectangle from a set of squares with a 21×21 square whose area is equal to 1660.

ASWU watch:

how your student government served you this week

WHAT HAPPENED?

With freshmen senators eagerly anticipating class registration, the ASWU Senate held its penultimate meeting of the semester. Topics ranged from the appropriation of club funding to the Bob Appetit's decisions to stop serving specific produce. Senators and executives covered an enormous range of issues in an hour and a half.

SO, WHAT WENT ON?

Guest Speaker

As the recently appointed director of the Willamette Watch Program, senior Curtis Bell addressed the Senate on the short term and long term goals of the student-led program. Bell outlined how the program is designed to add an extra layer of security to university and personal property by having students patrol parking lots with an emphasis on observing and reporting suspicious activity in two-hour shifts that operate from 6 a.m. to midnight. Bell described how the daily 18-hour program is currently structured and the changes he would like to see in staffing, reliability and club involvement.

Bell answered various questions from senators including an inquiry on the safety of only having one student patrolling the softball and Kaneko parking lots late at night. The speaker described how the program budget only has room for one two-person shift each day, and how Campus Safety wanted that shift to be early in the morning when vehicle theft was most likely to occur.

However, Bell told senators that he had assigned two individuals to the late shift as part of his program enhancement, noting that staff safety takes precedence over the well-being of property. Bell also described how he intend-

ed to encourage clubs to volunteer for patrol and earn \$200 in compensation for their organizational activities.

Recycling Budget

Unused funds from budgeted club activities for the fall were redistributed in the first session of ASWU's recycling budget. Club requests summed to \$18,114.54, however the ASWU Finance Board redistributed \$5,050. The senate unanimously approved the recycled budget. Clubs should receive newly budget recycled funding in the near future.

Standing Committee Reports

Sophomore senator Birl Shultz described to ASWU the recent decision by Bon Appetit to stop serving tomatoes in light of the enormous cost of receiving the specific produce item. Crop failures across North America in the past years have raised the cost of a bulk-package to \$64 a carton and as high as \$4 a pound a local grocery stores. The prohibitive cost of the item has forced Bob Appetit to stop serving it until new supplies can be obtained later in the Spring. Tomato products, such as ketchup and sauce will still be available.

WHY SHOULD YOU CARE ABOUT THIS AT ALL?

Whether or not the Willamette Watch is as effective as it could be will not be of interest until your car is vandalized or stolen, and you are looking for someone to blame. Recycled club funding is not of interest until you realize your club is short of meeting the funding necessary for an activity and the dollars were there for the asking.

While the issues discussed at ASWU may seem like they are not affecting your every day life it is up



"This week we are stuffing the finals care packages for freshmen."

Stacy Michaelson,
Matt Alex,
Ashley Hayden
Freshman class council members

to you to take a proactive attitude towards student issues around campus. If you don't think it is relevant to your experience, make it relevant because your senators and executives have office hours and they are there to serve you.

OTHER ASWU NEWS

The ASWU Senate will be holding elections for open senate seats in the sophomore, junior and senior classes today and tomorrow. The online polls will open this morning at 8 a.m. and will run through 6 p.m. tomorrow. Winners will be announced via email by 7:30 tomorrow evening. The openings in the ASWU Senate are a result of a class of 2007 senator leaving for a study abroad program, a Class of 2006 senator extending their stay abroad and resignation from the Class of 2005 representative.

Senior Anhtu Nguyen is the sole candidate running formally for the open seat representing the class of 2005. However, senior Kate Harrie is vying for the seat as a write-in candidate. Juniors Carter Warmington and Robin Hammond are campaigning for the class of 2006 senate seat. Seeking election to the class of 2007 senate seat are sophomores Jessica Motais de Narbonne, William T Pippel and Andrew Tyler.

Coup d'Coop

On Sunday, the TIUA students were more than willing to give you their clothes. You could get their pants off them for a dollar. The only downside to the flea market was that, for some Willamette students, this was their only interaction with the students at TIUA.

Sophomore year, I lived in the quad in Terra with three guys; one of them was a TIUA student named Daichi Hisatsune. The experience was amazing for everyone. Daichi's English improved immensely, especially in terms of drunken cursing. He hooked us up with a lot of sweet music we'd never heard of, and gave us new perspectives on America. I had no idea that there was still angst over American forces still being stationed in Japan until he told me about it.

It wasn't just us who benefited. Daichi felt much freer to embrace his own individuality over here. One day, he shaved his hair into a Mohawk a la DeNiro in "Taxi Driver."

Some members of the TIUA staff were not pleased with this, or with Daichi's occasionally "deviant" behavior.

I think that living with us, people who accepted him no matter what just because he was cool, made him more comfortable mastering the art of sticking it to the Man.

The reason for this extended anecdote is to encourage the rest of the Willamette community to take advantage of the fact that we have fascinating neighbors who can teach us a lot, and not just about fashion.



EVAN
COOPER

Firing of lesbian minister raises important ethical questions

This month, Beth Stroud, a Methodist minister from Pennsylvania went on trial before the United Methodist Church. Though her congregation supports her and has asked her to remain no matter what, she has lost her status as a minister in the Methodist Church on the grounds that she is openly gay. In April of 2003, she gave a sermon in which she acknowledged that she had been living with another woman.

Clearly the issue of how we handle gay and lesbian couples as a society is here to stay. Along with it come many shades of gray, and almost no black and white. Stroud's case is an excellent example. She has lost her ministry on a technicality. The church law does not allow for the ordination of "self-avowed, practicing homosexuals."

Had she remained silent about 'practicing' her sexual orientation, she could have continued to avoid the whole situation. In light of this, her decision to 'come out' may seem unusual to say the least. However, her explanation begins to reveal the levels of grey area that surround this situation, and others like it. She says 'If I am not sharing the whole truth about my life, I am not being a faithful witness to what I believe.' In a sense, she did it to

better fulfill her role as a minister.

Stroud's largely liberal congregation has backed her completely, as have like-minded Methodist congregations around the country. The majority of the Methodist congregations in the country, though, do not share that sentiment. Some are morally opposed to a gay lifestyle; others simply don't think a 'practicing homosexual' belongs in the ministry. Many point out that Stroud could have become a minister in a church that had more liberal laws on the subject, to which she simply says that the Methodist Church is her 'spiritual home'.

Willamette Chaplain Charlie Wallace points out that we are at a point of cultural change, struggling to define equal rights both in and out of Church. Our generation will probably be the one to really experience this struggle. We will be up to the challenge, if we ask ourselves where we stand and just as importantly, why. It's safe to assume Stroud's case is one among many more to come as our culture continues to change and adjust, and it's our responsibility to step up and acknowledge that this issue will not easily go away and deserves our continued attention.

Sustainability requires student involvement

President Pelton, in consultation with the academic deans, has initiated a new sustainability program here on the Willamette campus. The program will be actualized by the formation of a "Sustainability Council," chaired by politics professor Joe Bowersox. The council will seek to incorporate the theme of sustainability into Willamette curricula, create more events centered on environmental conservation, and employ rigorous scrutiny to the workings of the university in terms of building additions and renovations.

These initiatives have been a long time coming, and the Willamette community, an environmentally conscious lot on the whole, should definitely be proud that such a progressive course of action has been set in motion. It is one thing to pay lip service to sustainability and conservation as something that all community members should "keep in mind," or that professors should be encouraged to

incorporate such themes into their curriculum. It is something else completely to create an organization as well as a well drawn out set of initiatives to ensure that these things occur on a grand scale with measurable efficiency.

By setting an example as an institution, Willamette will not only exude a positive influence on its own community in terms of promoting sustainability, but will also prod other universities to evaluate their own practices in terms of environmental friendliness.

It's also nice to see Professor Bowersox heading the organization to oversee these initiatives' enactment. A tip of the hat is definitely due for him and all other members of the Sustainability Council for taking on this additional responsibility for the collective well being of the campus as a whole.

The initiatives, however, can only go so far by incorporating sustainability into the curricula. Waking up after a lecture that

included a discussion of sustainability and throwing the paper you drooled on into the trashcan is definitely not going to be the best way to further the program's aims. We shouldn't embrace the president's initiative as an opportunity to pat someone else on the back for taking the initiative.

As a community, it is important for the student body to become a part of this initiative. The president, in his letter addressing the campus, ends by stating that anyone wanting to contribute their ideas for the betterment of this program should definitely do so. This places the ball in the student body's court, insofar as this project affects us all.

While the council is obviously comprised of individuals who will tenaciously pursue sustainable practices on campus, the involvement of the student body, in terms of assistance as well as assessment, is a necessary part of this program's success.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

While reading Beth Phillips' column in the December 1 issue of The Collegian, I noticed the headline "Memo to George W. Bush: War is Not Foreign Policy." The headline ignores the nineteenth-century Prussian military theorist Carl von Clausewitz who famously claimed that "war is a mere continuation of policy by other means."

Clausewitz's assertion, which is accepted as common wisdom by historians, military theorists, political scientists and other scholars, is that war is simply an extreme means of resolving disputes that cannot be resolved using means short of war. War's logic is dictated by the ends for which it is waged. One can debate Clausewitz's thesis, but Clausewitz's influence over academics and politicians demonstrates the durability of his thinking. It is a pity that Clausewitz's monumental book "On War" is not included in the syllabus for the current Worldviews theme as its omission deprives Willamette students the opportunity to debate its themes.

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Abortion should be the woman's choice



KARA FORSYTH

I am among those who believe that abortion is "somehow a women's rights issue," though apparently this makes me a fem-

inazi (thank you John Swanson).

This is based on two very personal beliefs; that a woman should have the right to control her own body and that every child should be wanted. Of course, the inevitable conflict comes when I'm called a "baby killer" because of these beliefs. That's a conversation stopper if I ever heard one (and I have... many times). I do not pretend that I have any power over changing such a different world view. Instead, I suggest furthering what could be common understandings.

Number one: no one is pro-abortion. I have never met someone who thought increasing the number of abortions would increase a woman's freedom. Rather, the option of pregnancy termination must be there as a necessary last resort to maintain reproductive rights.

Number two: we should work to make abortion less necessary through systemic solutions. Statistics and experience show that comprehensive sex education, readily available contraception, and accessible health care options all prevent unwanted pregnancies and therefore, abortions.

France, a country with mandatory sex education, emergency contraception available in middle and high schools, and more liberal abortion policies, maintains one third of our teen abortion rate and one half the abortion rate overall. For a group which professes to hate abortion, it seems illogical for the anti-choice contingent to insist on making it harder to prevent unwanted pregnancies. This is being done through a severely under-funded family planning program, increased prevalence of abstinence-only education, lack of contraceptive coverage, and a plethora of other restrictive laws now in effect.

With a second Bush term and

one Justice in the middle of a health crisis, Roe v. Wade has once again become a focus of attention. The possibility of it being overturned, though not inevitable, is real and frightening. Let's say it was overturned. According to the Center for Reproductive Rights, 30 states would likely outlaw abortion. That means that a woman lucky enough to live on the west coast would be able to keep the abortion decision between herself, her family, her doctor and her conscience.

In Alabama, though, a woman who makes the very personal decision to terminate a pregnancy would have to take matters into her own hands. The rich ones would have no trouble crossing state lines, but those inflicted with the horribly damning disease of poverty would be forced to what we had hoped were gone forever: back ally and coat hangar abortions.

I know many women who fought for the Roe v. Wade decision and thought the fight was over. Unfortunately, they could soon be proven wrong. Anna Quindlen, a columnist for Newsweek magazine, recently wrote that "[abortion] takes place in that messy gray zone of hard choices informed by individual circumstances and conscience." I hope it stays there and out of the government's hands, with each woman following her personal morality.

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GRAPHIC BY NICOLE REED

One question to answer in the abortion debate



TOM REGAN

One Question to Answer in the Abortion Debate

The most important question to resolve in the abortion debate is: What is the unborn? The pro-life position is that the unborn, from conception, are valuable members of the human community.

Because elective abortion is the intentional killing of an innocent human being, it is morally wrong.

Arguments commonly put forth by pro-choice advocates ignore this fundamental question regarding the humanity of the unborn. Consider just two examples.

"Abortion is a private matter. It's a woman's choice."

Privacy is important, but do we allow parents the choice of abusing their children provided they do it in the privacy of their own homes?

"Women shouldn't be forced to have unwanted children. Many poor women can't afford another child."

When human beings are unwanted or get expensive, may we kill them?

Pro-choice arguments based on privacy and economic hardship assume that the unborn are not human.

This is the question that must be resolved. If pro-choice advocates can demonstrate conclusively that the unborn are not human, no justification for elective abortion is necessary. But if the unborn are human, no justification is adequate.

The pro-life contention is that human life begins at conception. This position is scientifically sound for two reasons. First, the fetus is genetically distinct from its parents. From the moment of conception, a distinct, self-integrating human organism comes into existence. Second, the Law of Biogenesis states that each living thing reproduces after its own kind. Human parents produce human offspring; therefore, the unborn are members of the human family. They do not become human at some later point in time; rather, they develop as humans.

The pro-life position is also philosophically sound. The unborn differs from the newborn in only four ways, none of which are relevant to its status as a human being.

1) Size: The unborn are smaller than newborns, but does size determine rights? Women are generally smaller than men. Does that mean they deserve fewer rights?

2) Location: True, the unborn resides in the mother's womb, but how does a change in location change a non-human entity into a human one?

3) Degree of dependency: If viability makes one human, then people dependent on insulin, kidney machines and pace-makers must be considered non-persons.

4) Level of development: The unborn are less developed than newborns, but does this disqualify them as valuable human beings? A four year-old girl is less developed than a 21 year-old woman. Is she less human?

Pro-choice advocates argue that the fetus is not a valuable person because it doesn't possess rationality and self-consciousness. Neither do newborns. Should we have the choice to kill them?

Basic human rights are grounded in our shared humanity, not in our functional capabilities. Our value as human beings is inherent to who we are. It is not dependent on our size, environment, dependency, or development. The fetus, which is a living human being in the earliest stage of life, possesses this intrinsic value. Elective abortion unjustly takes the life of an innocent human being and therefore, it is morally wrong.

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But Do They Have Oil?

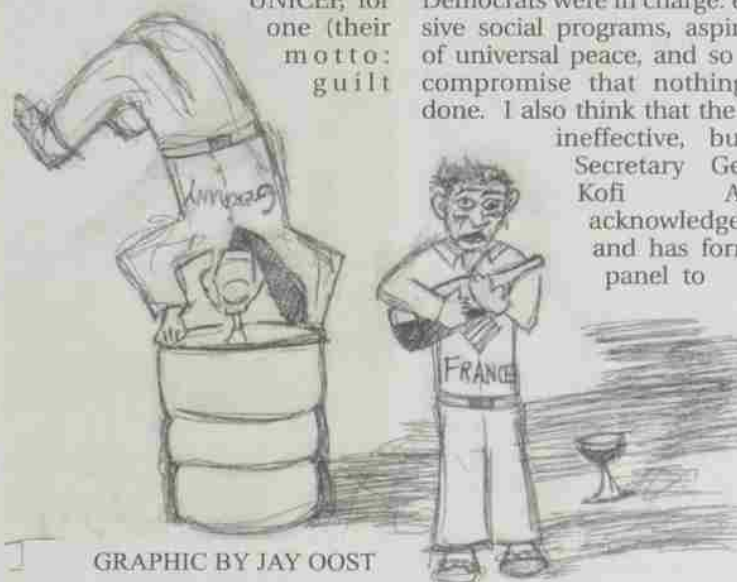
weekly random foreign affairs column



JACEN
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The United Nations, a decision-making body almost as ineffective as ASWU, is in greater danger than ever before, in part because of the antipathy of the United States. The UN is supposed to prevent wars, but it doesn't, and Bush wants it to help us start wars, but it won't do that either. So what is it even good for?

UNICEF, for one (their motto: guilt



GRAPHIC BY JAY OOST

The United Nations needs a revamp

motivates). The UN is also good for combating hunger, poverty, disease, illiteracy, and other things that don't make it in the news because they don't usually involve celebrities, explosions, sex, or (God willing) all three.

Perhaps because of its lack of steamy celebrity sex, the American people, especially conservatives, have it out for the UN. The Republicans in Congress don't like the UN because it's run as if the Democrats were in charge: expensive social programs, aspirations of universal peace, and so much compromise that nothing gets done. I also think that the UN is ineffective, but the Secretary General, Kofi Annan, acknowledges this and has formed a panel to

radically change the way the international body works. I wish the Democrats would do as much with their party.

One of the panel's recommendations is that the permanent Security Council be expanded to include countries that are modern regional powers, in areas other than cheese making (I'm looking at you, France). A clarification of the UN charter supports preventive military action if taken with the approval of the Security Council. Terrorism has been clearly defined for the first time, and a set of guidelines for when to use force has been outlined, along with a recommendation that military action be taken more readily to prevent situations like the genocide in Sudan.

Hopefully, the Bush administration and those freaknuts who fear the black helicopters will eventually realize that it's vital to have an organization like the UN that helps anyone in need, regardless of how much oil is buried under their village. And so, in an attempt to overcome the fear and distrust many Americans have for the United Nations, I would like to present

SIX WAYS TO SEX UP THE UN:
1. Play the song "America, Fuck

Yeah!" from Team America: World Police every time the American ambassador enters the hall

2. All disputes now resolved by midget wrestlers wearing the traditional costumes of their country

3. Each time an American official lies about weapons of mass destruction in other countries, all other delegates drink

4. France's seat on Security Council given to the Dixie Chicks

5. Every five years, America gets one free war (no Security Council debate allowed)

6. Countries that commit atrocities like genocide actually punished

The United Nations has failed to live up to its charter, but we shouldn't forget that it took the United States almost 90 years to abolish slavery, and another 50 before women had the right to vote. It took us a century and a half to accomplish the common goals of 13 colonies; the UN has had only 55 years to live up to the ambitions of the world. I think we should give them a little more time, and a little more support. Who else is going to make us carry dorky orange boxes on Halloween to collect spare change?

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Three simple reasons why you are crazy



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I developed a theory a couple of years ago about the nature of Willamette students. Wanna hear it? Thought so. Willamette attracts highly intellectual, highly emotionally-unstable people. Look at your friends. Chances are they're fairly bright. Chances are they're also a little unbalanced. Why is this? Here's what I've come up with:

1.) Smart people are more apt to have mental health problems.

Not to sound like an elitist, but let's look at the track record here: Sylvia Plath, Edgar Allan Poe, Emily Dickinson, Charles Bukowski, James Dean, Judy Garland and her man-child Liza, Einstein, Hitler, Joan of Arc, Bobby Fisher – smart people are messed up!

The intake of knowledge is scary. As we age, it gets harder to incorporate new ideas into our self-molded minds. Cognizant dissonance is a sure ticket to Crazyville. Therefore, people who pursue a higher education are asking for mental anguish. That's right – we're all intellectual masochists. Me-ow!

2.) Alcohol and drugs FUCK with your BRAIN!

Speed, meth and coke are drugs. No question there. But, whether WU's binge drinkers and social smokers want to admit it or not, so are alcohol, pot and tobacco. These drugs directly affect the chemicals in your brain. A lot of mental health problems stem from chemical imbalances. In other words, abuse these drugs and you're gonna find it hard to focus on Prof. Lewis during his lecture on identity and Ralph Ellison, like other Collegian opinion piece contributors named Ben

Nystrom I know. Scary!

3.) WU's intensely SMALL campus makes people go CRAY-CRAY!

On a small campus, when everybody knows everybody else, everyone's actions will be known by everyone else. That's creepy. That, combined with #1 and #2, is enough to make even the most handsome, maladjusted English major go off his rocker.

Luckily, there are ways to steer clear of these psychological pitfalls.

First, recognize that you're smart, but that your intellect won't be accepted by everyone you meet. Your peers may have learned the same textbook information, but chances are they interpreted it differently than you did. Take pride in your brain, but don't start thinking its better than anyone else's.

Second, if you're going to experiment with ultra-cool mind-altering,

do it in moderation. Drugs and alcohol are like the Rogue River in Southern Oregon; a nice place to visit, but by-god, you do NOT want to live in a river.

Last, GET OFF CAMPUS! Tattooed townies may seem a bit daunting at first, but the fact is, not ALL smart citizens of Salem go to Willamette. In fact, if you put in the effort to interact with the heart and soul of the city you live in, you might just learn a thing or two even Pelton wouldn't teach you (I love you, MI).

So the next time you feel like you're going crazy, remember these simple things: you ARE crazy, your craziness is special, and you are not alone. Sure, you're nuts. If you weren't, you probably wouldn't be here in the first place.

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College at the Capitol

willamette walks the halls of power

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This spring, twenty Willamette Students are going to cross State Street, looking both ways of course. These 20 students enrolled in the Legislative Internship class will begin their work in the Oregon State Capitol building. The course, overseen by Professor Melissa Buis Michaux, has led many students in the Politics program on to furthering their careers with the legislature. Some of these students, like Senior Hans Bernard has

Senior Politics major Hans Bernard has worked full time for almost two years in the office of Senator Kate Brown. Brown, from the southeast Portland District 21, has provided Bernard with plenty of learning experience. When he started, she was tied for Senate Majority/Minority leader, as there was not a majority in the

split floor. This election year, Brown became the Senate Democratic Majority Leader, taking Bernard with her into an office of six workers. With an official title of Legislative Assistant to Senator Kate Brown, his job has blossomed from the once menial tasks of answering phone calls, delivering messages of some of his days as a sophomore

"I am in control of all her communications with constituents (people in her district). If they call or write to the senator, I read what they've written and bring it to her attention if she needs to know about it," Bernard said. Bernard then helps the senator formulate a response to their need or their question. "I also do all of her personal legislation, so if there is a constituent that comes forward I am responsible for working with that person to figure out what law needs to be changed, and for talking with the legisla-

tive counsel office to get that bill drafted." Once the legislative session starts Bernard's responsibility will be to get the bills introduced and make sure that they get the votes they need to be signed into law by the government.

Such responsibility seemed to have been entrusted to Bernard since he began in January of his sophomore year with Senator Brown. His first large project was making sure each legislator was achieving their stated priorities, as well as researching on land use, sexual orientation and minority issues.

Senior Politics/History major Stephanie Harding had a different experience in her legislative internship.

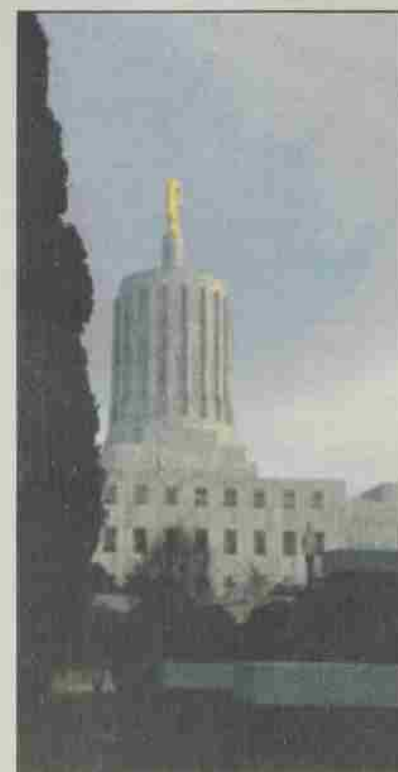
"I don't know if it was age or sex, but I wasn't necessarily trusted with as many things and that is something that is my own fault for not saying something," Harding worked for Senator Frank Shields during her sophomore year. Harding's first internship was not as rewarding as she had originally planned.

"I encourage anyone who is thinking of interning and applying to be very direct as to what they want to get out of the experience and making sure that they are continually getting that out of the experience and if they are not, they need to address that fact. In my first internship I didn't and I ended up doing a lot of office work," Harding said.

Harding is presently interning in the Governor's office. She works in the Governor's policy offices, specifically the educational policy office. "Mostly there I do a lot of research of bills and initiatives. I write up a lot of memos, go to meetings, and write up synopses and fulfill them for differ-

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JOHN TURNER
'04 Willamette alumnus



MEGAN MEIDINGER

Willamette interns have moved on to paying jobs at the Capitol.

ent people not just my boss," she said.

Registering for the Legislative Internship course does not guarantee students a position. Each is responsible for finding his/her own internship. Professor Buis Michaux will assist if one should desire, but students primarily set the contacts up.

For senior and future intern Tessa Shamberg, the requirements for Politics 398 will start earlier than when she returns to classes in January. Career Services has not gotten many posting from people across the street, but Shamberg has entered her name in the pool, hoping to snag a job like Harding's in the administrative



MEGAN MEIDINGER

Interns often serve as the link between constituents and their representatives.



MEGAN MEIDINGER

Former intern Steph Harding encourages prospective interns to be specific about their job expectations.

section.

A legislative internship is a serious time commitment that can be complicated to manage, former interns say. Students are usually required to work at least 12-15 hours per week. These hours fall between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., therefore in the middle of a student's workday. Bernard has not run into problems scheduling his work and his education. Bernard says his employer understands, possibly more than educators, that each aspect is important to his life. Brown allows Bernard flexible hours and a reasonably salary of \$1800/month.

Harding's boss has had over 115 interns in his office, many of them Willamette students of years past. Carol Suzuki has worked with at least 35 interns in her ten years as an Operations Director at the Capitol. Suzuki, a 1994 graduate, recently won the Willamette University Young Alumni Award for her work and her outstanding contributions to her vocation, community and Willamette. Suzuki serves on the Alumni Board of Directors, and is a former member of Alpha Chi Omega. Recent graduate John Turner also works full time for the Capitol, a job that stemmed from his experience as an intern during his undergraduate career.

Turner, a 2003 graduate began volunteering the second semester of his freshman year with a representative from his southern-Oregon district. Staying in touch with the contacts he made allowed him to later become the senior intern of four other students in the office he was placed. "I was involved in research on special topics. At the

beginning of the session I was told to focus my efforts on the Oregon Department of Health Services budget and basically get to know my way around their budget in specific and get to know all their programs and policy proposals," said Turner. Turner found himself as a resource for many people working full time in the capitol regarding the DHS budget.

Immediately after graduation, Turner worked a campaign in Oregon as the Field and Finance Director. He was in charge of fundraising about \$400,000 for a state senate race. "The fieldwork of my job was organizing volunteer efforts and get out the vote activities." His summer job ended in November and he was offered the chief of staff position for Representative Peter Buckley.

Currently, Turner remains the chief of staff for Representative Buckley, in charge of only managing the office, but also being the policy advisor to Buckley. "I am the first person that he is going to come to if he has questions on bills that he is interested in working on. Basically, I am the chief advisor for the Representative," Turner said.

Being a student at Willamette did not prove difficult for Turner, who was involved in many aspects of campus. He viewed the campus environment as beneficial for its close proximity to his job, but also for providing 30-40 people on cam-

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pus who are having similar experiences.

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Shamberg, Turner, and others take this course as a means of doing the activities they like and getting credit. Turner was already an intern by the time he had registered. Shamberg, on the other hand, just hopes to "get more involved in Oregon politics". Shamberg likes

the way Oregon politics are run in comparison to the politics in Idaho her home state. "I like the way Oregonians do some things. I would like to learn some of the ways they are going about these programs."

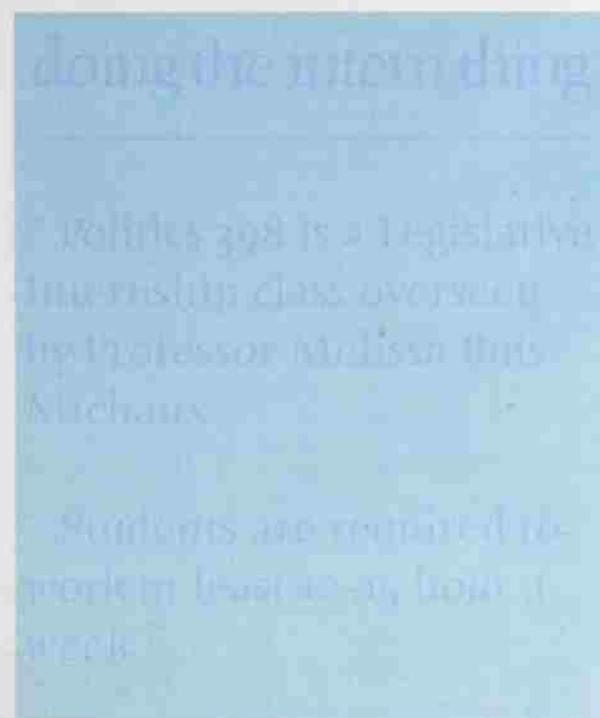
Although once a hopeful student, Suzuki has found herself on the other end of the star trees, and can therefore say with honesty how students from this establishment are viewed in the eyes of future employers.

"Willamette students are definitely very well received in that we have been very happy with the quality of the students," Suzuki said. "I think another thing that helps is that literally they are just across the street so they don't have the basic issues of 'Oh I got stuck in traffic.' They are just here ready and able and very well qualified."



MEGAN MEIDINGER

Interns spend time doing legwork to keep busy legislators in the know.



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Interns work 12-15 hours a week on top of normal course load.

Flicks & Quips

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MOVIE REVIEWS:

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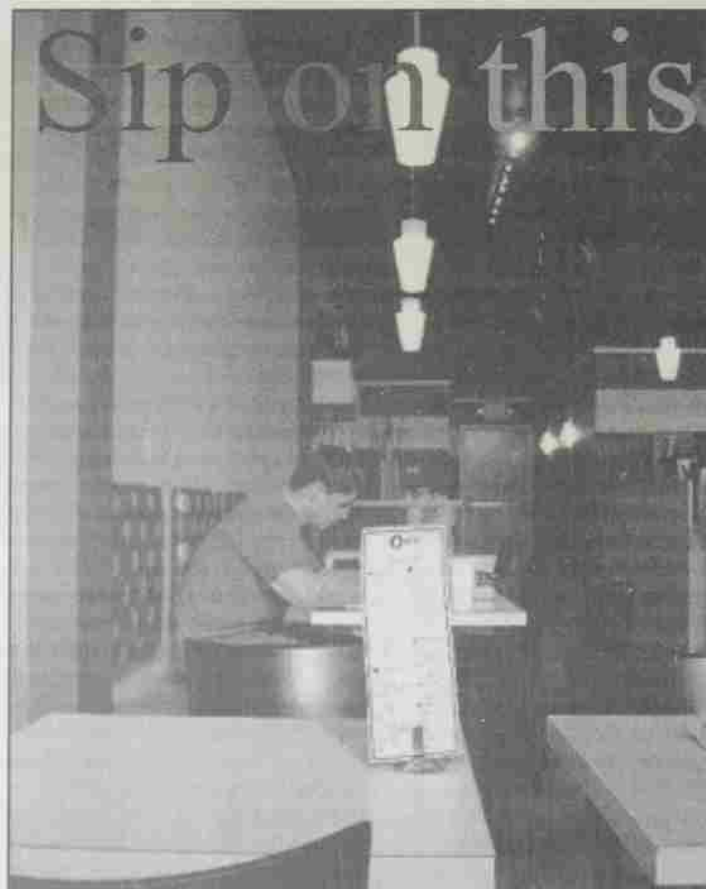
Robert Altman's attempt at a tangentially unified storyline with an array of quirky diverse characters is more of an interesting endeavor than an extremely satisfying motion picture. The film is based on an assortment of Raymond Carver short stories. Altman ultimately fails to capture most of the mood and essence out of Carver's stories, but he does manage to tell an intermittently interesting story and instill it with his own unique, lifelike cinematic aura. Altman manages to intertwine the plight of his huge cast of characters rather deftly, but I never felt more than mildly amused by any of the situations.

Rating: 7.0 out of 10.0

MAGNOLIA

This is my all-time favorite movie. The movie is about three-and-a-half hours. I have seen it more than ten times. In my opinion (although several have disagreed with me), this epic film requires very little patience—every frame is shot so beautifully, and every character's plight is so gripping that you will likely forget about length and be astounded by the film's sheer scope. The world that Paul Thomas Anderson creates in *Magnolia* is so full of jaw-dropping surprises, powerhouse displays of acting, achingly suspenseful moments, and revelations so poignantly beautiful that I am surprised by all that were not profoundly moved by it. It is one of those few cinematic privileges that are as rewarding and substantial as a significant life experience.

Rating: 10.0 out of 10.0



JEAN-JAQUES TETU

Sip, located on Court Street in downtown Salem, offers a wide variety of bubble tea and other snacks.

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With the Coffeehouse Café, The Beanery and two Starbucks crowding into just a couple blocks, you might think the last thing we need downtown is another café. But refreshingly, the latest addition has something unique to offer. Sip, which opened just two weeks ago, is more a teashop than a coffee shop—bubble tea to be precise.

Bubble tea is a fairly recent, super-trendy import from Taiwan, where it is the drink. Sip brings it to Salem care of Angie Roth, who discovered bubble tea about a year ago when she was working in Seattle. Angie is the small, energetic woman behind the counter, and she is more than willing to guide you through your first bubble tea experience. First of all, you have to choose your flavor. This may take a while, as there are fourteen to choose from, and you've probably never tasted most of them before. Lychee? Almond tea? Taro? Once you've picked your flavor, you can decide to have yours hot or blended with ice. Taking Angie's advice, I ordered my almond-flavored tea blended.

Bubbles are optional. So what are these bubbles? Through the cup, they look like a collection of small dark marbles floating and settling toward the bottom. Appetizing. I know, but don't be afraid. They are just little balls of tapioca that pop up through the extra big straw as you drink your tea—"kind of like gummy bears" as Angie described them. As I leaned in for my first sip, I was feeling less than enthusiastic about this stuff. First, I tasted the smooth, frothy tea and then a bubble popped up through the straw, and then another. It was much like a milkshake, but vastly more entertaining.

The café itself is bright, spacious and welcoming. Pastel blue and brown polka dots accent the walls and give a dreamy, candy store feel to the main room. Plenty of tables and chairs invite customers to linger over drinks and the various freshly baked cakes and cookies. So why not stop guzzling coffee and go sip some tea?

Pianist performs at Hudson Hall

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When Yefim Bronfman stepped out on Hudson stage last Tuesday night I was surprised by his physical appearance. This broad and robust figure adorned in a formal tux looked more like a maestro than a pianist. His prominent presence almost dwarfed the grand Steinway that was center stage. As he made his way to the piano, I was expecting him, once seated, to take a moment to prepare himself as many performers do before beginning.

On the contrary his hand began moving across the keyboard before his was firmly planted upon the piano bench. I was most impressed by Bronfman's strong command of the instrument and yet expressed such delicacy where needed. During Robert Schumann's *Humoreske*, in B-flat Major, Op. 20, my amazement was doubled by the speed and accuracy he demonstrated during the piece.

Other pieces performed that night were Robert Schumann's *Arabeske*, in C Major, Op. 18 and Prokofiev's

Sonata for Piano No. 6, in A major, Op. 82. Bronfman also made a surprise performance, the premier of piece written by his friend Solomon. The piece was written in 2000 and is made up of two movements named *Mechanism* and *Organism*. Bronfman shared with the Willamette and Salem community a remarkable talent, a heightened sensitivity and an energy that surged through his music. He truly was a captivating performer that not only held one's attention but demanded it.

Bronfman, a guest of Grace Goudy Distinguished Artists Series and Professor Anita King, was born in Tashkent, in the Soviet Union on April 10, 1958. He immigrated to Israel with his family in 1973 and two years later made his international debut. Since then Bronfman has performed all over the United States and the World. In July 1989, he became an American citizen and three years later he won the Avery Fischer award, which is one of the highest honors that an American instrumentalist can achieve.

Classical Millennium, a classical music store in Portland, was present at the performance to promote



COURTESY OF YEFIM BRONFMAN

Yefim Bronfman recently performed in Willamette's Hudson Hall.

Bronfman and his recordings. Present at the performances were over 14 different titles of his work. By the numerous recordings there, it was evident that Bronfman has a fondness of Prokofiev, Rachmaninoff and Bartok. Bronfman records exclusively for SONY Classical. Contact Michael@classicalmillennium.com for orders and inquiries.

MOVE OVER WEEZER



ERIC LAM

Zenza, a TIUA Nirvana cover band, practices in the Kaneko auditorium.

Zenza delivers musical enlightenment, Nirvana style

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Though I didn't know it, there was a time bomb ticking at the Kaneko auditorium while the band NTT Codomo finished up their rendition of "Stand by me." The bass player, Kenji Hayashi, moved to the drum set, and the members of his second band, "Zenza," ("Opening Performer" in Japanese) hopped on stage along side him. Ippei Yamada, the vocalist and Takaaki Endo, the bassist, took the stage along with the guitarist from NTT Codomo, Tomo Ogasawara, standing in for regular guitarist, Kei Takahashi.

Hayashi pensively raised his drumsticks like two clock-hands reaching for high noon; with one powerful blow Hayashi sets the boom off.

Endo wails away on the bass behind his back, smiling all the while. He bangs his head and loses his blue Von Dutch trucker hat, which doesn't seem to phase him. Hayashi keeps the beat steady with meticulous drum stylings. Ogasawara stands stoically in a black blazer with shaggy black hair, keeping up with the impromptu jam.

Yamada strolls around with authority, with his punchy melodious vocals declaring ownership of the stage. His grip chokes the microphone, covering

the lower half of the ball, making sure it doesn't forget who's boss.

"Zenza" is a Nirvana cover band comprised of students at TIUA who met here in the U.S. three months ago and have been jamming ever since. "We play just for fun, and we have a lot of respect for Nirvana," says Yamada in a calm, steady voice, which is a thing of the past once he reaches the stage.

He assured me that he wasn't depressed, dating a blonde heroin addict and that he does not own a shotgun. This bodes well for the band's continued rocking.

Yamada told me that, besides rocking the Kaneko auditorium, the band played at the TIUA music festival in November, where eight groups performed, two of which were dance groups.

With only about two weeks left before the band takes the long flight back to Japan, time is wasting to see these guys perform live. If you've got a Nirvana fix that you just can't satisfy with the old albums, then there's only one solution: Put a backyard, some extension cords and rain protection together with this group, and you'll definitely be smelling the *sei shun*.*

*Sei shun – Teen spirit

Portland's Pink Martini releases second album

By TESS DAVIS

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Pink Martini, a 12-member Portland-based band, has just released their second album, titled "Hang on Little Tomato."

It is a unique and linguistically diverse album, featuring songs in French, Italian, Japanese, Croatian, Spanish and English.

The band's first album, called "Sympathique," was released in 1997, and sold over 650,000 copies worldwide.

Pink Martini was started in 1994 by Thomas Lauderdale, who is a classically trained pianist as well as a Harvard graduate.

The band originally played at political fundraisers for progressive causes such as civil rights, affordable housing, clean water, and public broadcasting.

They debuted in Europe at the Cannes Film Festival shortly after the release of their first album, and then went on a world tour, which included performances in Lebanon, Turkey, Taiwan, and other faraway destinations.

This band doesn't fit into just one genre – in fact, they fall "somewhere between a 1930s Cuban dance orchestra, a classical chamber music ensemble, a Brazilian marching street band and Japanese film noir" – and that means a little something for everyone.

You can check them out at www.pinkmartini.com: their website has the band's bio, tour dates, descriptions of the music, and even Pink Martini Radio, where you can listen to the entirety of both albums. And if you like what you hear, there's even the option of purchasing their CDs directly from the website.

Upcoming Concerts

Sun River, OR
Dec. 13
Sun River
Resort
Homestead

Portland, OR
Dec. 28
Crystal
Ballroom

Seattle, WA
Jan. 20
Benaroya
Hall



COURTESY OF PINK MARTINI

Pink Martini's new CD, "Hang on Little Tomato," features music in a variety of languages, including French, Italian and Japanese.



Turkey: every end brings...

Yazgül, Tonya Karp and Turkish Toilets

By ROSE BARKER

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It's 5 p.m., and I've just traveled for four hours on a Turkish bus to arrive in the Asian city of Bursa. The bus ride was more comfortable than expected—although they didn't play a movie on the pop-down TV screens, and the attendant did tell me I couldn't have my legs in the aisle because my feet would be visible to others. Turkish people have a weird thing with feet.

Sitting in front of me was a 3-year-old girl whom I had met, along with her mom, when I took a photo of her back at the bus stop. She sat on my lap for an hour of our trip. Her nose was runny, but she was cheerful, loved to make faces, and liked to play peek-a-boo in the bus's curtain.

The bus depot in Bursa was huge, modern and clean. I lugged my bags through the crowd, mentally saying goodbye to the little girl, and found the restroom. I soon found that this 20-cent toilet would be the last "modern" one I'd sit on in Asia. All the rest were "squatters," meaning there was a basin in the ground, and you did your best to aim into it. I was surprised to find that the squatters usually were well ventilated and quite tolerable.

Anyhow, I was traveling with my Greek friend Manolis to Bursa to see a bit more of Turkey. One of the two objectives of our trip was to visit a Turkish bathhouse. The other was to

eat a Ramadan dinner with the family of Samet, a friend we met in Istanbul. It was a special night: The 27th night of Ramadan is Lailat ul-Qadr, or Night of Power. The Muslims believe their holy book, the Qur'an, was revealed to Mohammad on this day.

We met Samet's parents, Yazgül and her husband (I never did memorize his name), and sat down to dinner... without any English. We ate, chatted and gestured, without hearing a word of English through the entire meal. The food was colorful, plentiful and delicious, and Yazgül was a perfect hostess. I did find it odd that they eat right off the large platters of food—our culture's taboo of "double dipping" seems to have never been heard in Bursa.

I guess Yazgül had heard of Oregon before because Turkish crosswords always ask for "one of the states in the U.S.," and the answer is always Oregon. We discussed this over Turkish coffee when their other son, Furkan, returned home from school. After drawing a number of crooked crossword diagrams on table napkins, they realized what we were attempting to draw, told us the Turkish word for it, and said they didn't actually have a crossword puzzle in the house. You can't have everything.

I was glad to climb the three flights of stairs to my hotel room after I found the view of rooftops and the nearby steep hills. The room seemed much nicer than the hostel I first stayed in



COURTESY OF ROSE BARKER

Rose Barker enjoyed meeting all kinds of Turkish people.

Istanbul; after waking up on my first day in Turkey, I had so many mosquito bites that I thought I had contracted a huge red rash.

I went to bed at 8:30 p.m., slept well, and woke up early enough to paint the sun rising over the city. But not before visiting the octagonal tombs of the first two Sultans of the Ottoman Empire, Osman and his son, Orhan, because the first capital of the empire was Bursa. And wondering why several hundred uniformed Muslim schoolboys were sitting near the tombs smoking cigarettes before the school day began. I was also able to test my rather deplorable bartering skills while picking up a few of the silk scarves for which Bursa is famous.

Nancy Norton and Matt Iverson suggested I meet up with Tonya Karp, a Willamette student who graduated last year. So, on my last evening in Turkey, I hopped on a ferry (costing 60 cents) and sailed to her neighborhood in Asia.

Outside of empathizing with Tonya's loneliness and frustration with the Turkish university system, and needing to sprint to the bathroom every half-hour for, erm, disagreements with Turkish food, we had a wonderful evening. She received a scholarship from the Turkish rotary to study for a

master's in business at one of the best universities in Istanbul. She seems to be barely enduring the poor quality of her education—her library, for 13,000 students, is as big as the Smullin computer lab, the teaching leaves much to be desired, and she appreciates her education at Willamette more than ever. Apart from schooling, she is doing well; she misses Willamette, Matt Iverson and routine American life, but discovers life and enjoys the people she meets.

My 24-hour journey was long and uneventful, and I spent most of my plane ride wishing I was already home. Of all the times I have traveled in Europe, Mexico and the United States, I have never missed my family and community so much. Quite different from my hometown, Salem, the city of 16 million was overwhelming—I was always surrounded by people. All considered, the trip was wonderful and well worth the finances, stress and work I invested. The days after my return were not spent dealing with culture shock; rather, I focused on submitting my rhetoric thesis, visiting my parents (while doing my laundry) and relaxing in my small, quiet apartment. And enjoying my sit-down toilet.

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COURTESY OF ROSE BARKER

Rose Barker enjoyed a Ramandan dinner with Edip, Furkan and Yazgül, the family of Samet, a friend she met while in Istanbul.

Brief Existential Crisis at the Corner of Lancaster and State

MICHELLE THERIAULT



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O Lancaster Street!
Towering monument to capitalism!
Sacrificial offering to the gods of consumption!
Patron saint of adult shops and 99-cent tacos!
Cradle of quick lube oil change mini marts and Seventh Day Adventist churches!

How could a place where one can buy a car, buy a blow up inflatable girlfriend at the sex shop, buy a lamp and a tube of toothpaste and some slippers on sale and a Quesadilla appetizer and a watermelon margarita and an oil change and some birth control pills be so depressing?

The legions of shoppers and clerks and busboys are moving homewards.

The sun is setting over Lancaster Street and the bus stop shelters are full of women lugging shopping bags and squirming children and lost looking

bearded men with garbage bags full of cryptic papers and mystery.

Sitting in my car, I am divorced from this human sidewalk scene. We in our cars are not jealous of those at the bus stops (it is cold), but there are other, particular struggles inside the partitioned boxes of steel. It is getting dark now. A vivid moon pink from rising pollution hangs ripe over the scene as if to survey the scene of our wild human follies- bulk frozen vegetables and parking lots the size of football fields.

The light is still red. I wonder what all of us at the corner of Lancaster and State are going home to. In the hunched shoulders and absent face of the Honda driver next to me, I imagine the expectation, the sinking- the muffled thump of a door closing and an empty house responding in it's own dusk.

For now, we're here together, warm in our cars and slowly undulating down the street like the sweet rolling populations of the sea. It would be possible to think, for an instant that somewhere between the Los Pandalas Taquiera (there are Pandalas in the Spanish speaking world?) and the forlorn tire store, that we had found some kinship in the sea of headlights.



Danh's Hail Mary catch wins it for Wingbats

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Down late in the game, the Wingbats quarterback launches the ball downfield, a Hail Mary pass that spirals into the awaiting arms of sophomore teammate Mimi Danh for the winning touchdown and a final score of 26-24 against the Decks.

"Mimi's amazing game-ending catch was the highlight of the season for us," team captain Danea Watson said.

Last Monday marked the end of the 2004 fall intramural season for most of the 3-on-3 basketball leagues and the flag football leagues. This playoff game between the Wingbats and the Decks pitted the league's strongest teams against one another with the Wingbats coming out of the fray victorious. The Wingbats ended the season with a record of 3-1, scoring 92 points overall, giving up 40 points and achieving a sportsmanship rating of 3.21 out of four. The Wingbats roster consisted of Watson, Danh, Kimberly Im, Jesse Stratos, John Bednarski, Lisa Tollenar, Cheline Lundin, Brendan Clark, Jake Deglee, Ivan Hibarger, Jake Deglee, Jimmy Williams, Zach Sokolik, Clinton Moran, Nick Martinez and Ryan LaGod.

"Our strength was our love for one another, our unbreakable friendship," Watson said. "It was this undying friendship that carried us through the tragic pulled hamstring of one of our breakout stars, Jesse Stratos."

The Wingbats bested the Decks, who also had a record of 3-1 for the season. The Decks ended the season with 128 points for and 27 points against, and a sportsmanship rating of 3.37.

In the area of 3-on-3 basketball, Phoenix Foundation and Incisive Foramen reigned supreme in the men's and women's leagues, respectively. Phoenix Foundation played The Brutes in the men's playoff game last Monday,

eventually besting The Brutes with a final score of 21-7.

"We played solid defense, which kept the games manageable when our offense was often slumping," Phoenix Foundation player Steve Huddle said. "Also, our best offensive player is a very sweaty guy, which made most of the teams hesitant to guard him and allowed him to score easily."

Phoenix Foundation ended the season with a record of 7-0, scored 145 points and allowed 84, and ended with a sportsmanship rating of 3.18. This winning team consisted of Huddle, Jeff Auxier, Tyler Prout and Jake Garlock. The Brutes finished the season with a record of 6-1, garnered 145 total points, gave up 74 points and had a sportsmanship rating of 3.31.

In the women's basketball league, the Incisive Foramen defeated Angie's Team with a final score of 14-10. The Incisive Foramen ended with a record of 6-0, scored 113 points, allowed for 62 points and had a sportsmanship rating of 3.58. Its roster consisted of Bethany Davidson, Chris Garrish, Maggie Hake, Lindsay Yocum and Danielle Page. The defeated Angie's Team finished up the season with a record of 5-1, scored 104 points, gave up 44 points and ended with a sportsmanship rating of 3.09.

"We kept on ball pressure and really got after it on D," Yocum said. "We started the game off right with a quick bucket from Maggie, establishing some dominance in the paint. Whenever Angie's team made a surge, we always had an answer."

The men's flag football game took place Tuesday night at McCulloch Stadium between teams DVDA and Jefe's. The winner of this game can be found through the intramural link on the Willamette webpage under "student life" and "campus recreation."

Intramural Sports



JEAN-JACQUES TETU

Sophomore Zach Vandegrende passes to a teammate in the IM championship basketball game Monday night.

Bring on the snow: buses make Mt. Hood more accessible

Snow Sports

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COURTESY OF ANNIE SIMPSON

Freshman Annie Simpson breaks from boarding at Timberline.

Most people don't realize it, but in Oregon we have North America's only year-round ski area.

Timberline Lodge on Mt. Hood is one of the United States' main ski and snowboard attractions, and since it is right in our backyard, it is time to escape the Willamette bubble and venture out into the snow.

For those of us whose cars can't make it farther than Portland, Timberline offers a bus option as close as Tualatin for only \$20, and if you buy a lift ticket at the same time, it is only \$52. The regular price is \$41 for adults (ages 13-64), so the bus is a perfect option for saving money on gas and avoiding wear and tear on your vehicle.

"I really like Timberline because I'm not very good; it has a few really small runs so I can practice," sophomore skier Susan Butler said.

The bus leaves at 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and holidays, so every weekend brings a chance to hit the slopes, and because at least one lift is open year-round, you can't lose.

Timberline isn't Mt. Hood's only option for winter fun. Mt. Hood Meadows also will soon be opening its doors for the season.

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Men's team splits John Lewis Classic

By CHRISTIE NEWELL
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Despite multiple Bearcats in double digits, the men's basketball team lost 78-89 to Western Baptist College on Dec. 4 at the John Lewis Classic.

The Warrior's Eric Fiegi scored 33 points and averages 27.8 points per game. Western's Jeff Dunn hit 15 points, and teammate Matt Larson scored 11. Both Matt Larson and Jeff Dunn are ex-Linfield players.

The Warriors took a 12 point lead at half, but then went up to a 20 point lead in the second half. Junior forward CJ Stuvland's 23 points and senior point guard Harold Subblett Jr.'s 15 points and five rebounds almost led to a comeback, but it couldn't disrupt the Warriors offense.

Junior center Brennan Garrelts added 12 points and a team high nine rebounds. Junior guard Henry Greeley scored a career high of 13 points. Western shot 51 percent from the field to Willamette's 44 percent.

The John Lewis Classic is named after past Willamette coach John Lewis. The NAIA inducted coach Lewis into its Hall of Fame in 1969 for his service in baseball. Lewis was Willamette's athletic director for 26 years (1947-73) and coached baseball (1943-72) and basketball (1947-67).

Coach Gordy James earned his 299th career victory on Saturday night in Cone Field House when the Bearcats came back to defeat Southern Oregon University 61-57. The Bearcats' Stuvland hit a three point shot with about six minutes to go and tied up the game 49-49. He scored 17 points, leading the Bearcats to victory.

Garrelts' seven points and five rebounds, along with senior guard John Olinger's 10 points and three assists, held the Bearcats' lead. With 1:13 remaining, the score was 56-52 when the Raiders' Brad Coen made a



CHRISTIE NEWELL

Junior wing Henry Greeley puts up a shot in the second half of Saturday's game against Western Baptist, in which he scored a total of 13 points.

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lay-up and was fouled, leaving the Raiders down by only one point.

Soon Garrelts' two free throws gave the Bearcats a two-point lead. Olinger's two free throws with 20 seconds to go secured the Bearcats with a four point lead, but with 11 seconds to go, Williams made two free throws, bringing the score to 59-57. The Warriors then fouled Garrelts, who made both free throws, leaving the final score to be 61-57.

The Bearcats' accuracy at the free throw line was essential to their victory on Saturday night. Stuvland served as the Bearcats' representative on the all-tournament team. Shea Washington from Southern, Jeff Dunn from Western, Sam Krieger from Linfield and tournament MVP Eric Fiegi from Western completed the all-tournament team at the John Lewis

Classic.

"Western Baptist is probably one of the toughest teams that we will face all year. We didn't take care of the ball in the first half and had a bunch of turnovers. But I was proud of our guys, we didn't give up and fought our way back into the game, cutting it to nine several times. We learned that you can't give a good team an early lead and expect to come back. Playing a team that good and only losing by 11 will only help us down the line when we get into league play," Stuvland said of Friday night's game.

Coach Gordy James stated, "The Western Baptist game emphasized to us the need to be patient on offense and make our opponents guard us for more prolonged amounts of time. We have some excellent back cutters, so we must take full advantage of those opportunities. In the second half, we were much more efficient on offense."

ChalkTalk

SWIM TEAM SPLITS TO COMPETE IN SEPARATE NW INVITES

The men's and women's swim teams both placed fifth at the Northwest Invitational held at Pacific Lutheran University Dec. 3-4. The women had a combined score of 233.5 and the men 185.

Some members of the swim team also competed in the 56th Annual Husky Invitational at Weyerhaeuser King County Aquatic Center in Federal Way, Wash. Dec. 2-5. According to the Seattlepi.com, there were 480 swimmers representing 56 club and college teams, UCLA as well as Willamette, Puget Sound and Whitworth. Meet results can be found at gohuskies.collegesports.

LINFIELD ADVANCES TO SEMIFINALS

In the NCAA Regional Final on Dec. 4, Linfield beat Occidental 56-27. Linfield quarterback Blake Elliott threw for seven touchdowns and 420 yards against the Tigers. This Saturday, Linfield plays Rowan University from Glassboro, N.J. in the semifinals. The winner moves on to the Amos Alonzo Stagg Bowl, the NCAA Division III championship game.

VOLLEYBALL PLAYER HONORED BY ESPN THE MAGAZINE

ESPN The Magazine named senior outside hitter Kristen Halleck to its 2004 Academic All-America College Division Volleyball First Team. According to the Willamette athletics home page, Halleck qualified for the team after she received a CoSIDA Academic All-America First Team honor earlier in December.

SUPERBOWL XXXIX IN FLORIDA COULD BE \$100 AWAY

This Friday at the men's basketball game, one winner will receive a trip for two to Superbowl XXXIX in Daytona Beach. The trip includes two round-trip tickets to Florida, two tickets to the Superbowl, four nights in a hotel and a rental car. The Willamette University tennis and baseball teams are holding a raffle to help raise funds for the upcoming sports season. All proceeds go to benefit the baseball and tennis teams. Raffle tickets can still be purchased for \$100. For more information, call 503.370.6804.

Discount tickets another incentive to hit the slopes

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Offering more runs for the adventurous skier, it is a fantastic place to bomb down huge runs either skiing or boarding.

"The runs at Meadows are gnarly, you can eat shit and tumble down for a mile. The adrenaline rush is sick," senior skiing enthusiast Zach Reeves said.

For those of you who love the mountain and find your way up there more weekends than not, a season pass may be the best option. Timberline offers a season pass for 539 dollars (ages 15-23), while Mt. Hood's is \$599 (ages 15-22). In addition, new this season at Timberline is the weekday plus pass; only \$149, it is for Monday through Friday until March 28, except major holidays, and afterwards it works seven days a

week until June 5.

"I really need to get better, and I don't have class on Tuesday and Thursday next semester, so the pass works out really well for me. I'm making a real effort to not fall down so much. Practice makes perfect I guess," Butler said.

Both resorts also offer the option of using the lifts at night. Timberline charges the same amount as it does during the day, but Hood sells its night ski tickets for a mere \$22. Freshmen Annie Simpson has jumped on her board early and has already been eight times this season. "I love the surreal feeling you get standing atop something so amazing. You forget about everything while you are up there," Simpson said.

Mt. Hood has plenty of options for the amateur to the enthusiast, and it is open now for your experience.

Standings

MEN'S SWIMMING

Whitworth	(3-0)	(3-1)
PLU	(2-1)	(2-1)
Linfield	(2-1)	(2-1)
Puget Sound	(2-1)	(2-2)
Willamette	(1-1)	(1-1)
Lewis & Clark	(1-2)	(1-2)
Pacific	(0-2)	(0-2)
Whitman	(0-3)	(0-3)

WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Whitworth	(3-0)	(3-1)
Puget Sound	(3-0)	(3-1)
PLU	(2-1)	(2-1)
Whitman	(2-1)	(2-1)
Willamette	(1-1)	(1-1)
Pacific	(0-2)	(0-2)
Linfield	(0-3)	(0-3)
Lewis & Clark	(0-3)	(0-3)

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Puget Sound	(0-0)	(6-0)
George Fox	(0-0)	(3-3)
Willamette	(0-0)	(3-3)
Linfield	(0-0)	(2-3)
Whitman	(0-0)	(2-3)
Lewis & Clark	(0-0)	(1-3)
PLU	(0-0)	(2-5)
Whitworth	(0-0)	(1-3)
Pacific	(0-0)	(1-5)

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Puget Sound	(0-0)	(6-0)
Whitworth	(0-0)	(5-0)
Whitman	(0-0)	(4-1)
Linfield	(0-0)	(2-2)
PLU	(0-0)	(3-3)
Pacific	(0-0)	(2-3)
Lewis & Clark	(0-0)	(2-4)
George Fox	(0-0)	(1-2)
Willamette	(0-0)	(1-5)

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Women optimistic despite loss to Western Baptist

By LIZ BOWMAN
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Last Tuesday evening the women's basketball team faced Western Baptist College for the second time in eight days.

The game was close throughout, and it ended with a final score of 62-74. The Warriors defeated the Bearcat women for the second time this season during this non-conference match-up.

During the first half of play, Willamette had a difficult time handling the ball and keeping possession in order to effectively have opportunities to score. Both teams struggled to handle the pressure, and there were multiple turnovers during the game. Willamette committed 14 turnovers in the first half, while the Western Baptist women gained easy buckets because of their defensive efforts. The Warriors also committed turnovers, but Willamette struggled to convert them into points.

Along with missing opportunities to convert, Willamette did not use its chances at the free throw line.

"In the first half we struggled at the free throw line, leading to the difference in the game. We were about 55 percent from the line, compared to their 91 percent efficiency," junior guard Jennifer Bell said.

In the second half, defense continued to impact the performance of both teams. Specifically, both teams decided to press full court throughout the rest of the game.

With 9:20 left in the game, Western Baptist held an eight point lead, while the Bearcats struggled to overcome a scoring drought during the final minutes. Despite the struggles earlier in the game, Bell was optimistic. "I have a lot of confidence in our team. I thought for sure we could get a rally going and pull ahead considering we were only a few points down," she said.

The scoring drought ended soon thereafter. Junior guard Caitlin Andrus made a pass to junior post Vanessa Wyffels for a bucket, further closing the score. Wyffels scored a game-high 22 points and collected a game-high 10 rebounds.

In the final minutes, Willamette was unable to get within six points of Western Baptist. Subsequently, the Warriors surged ahead, scoring on multiple back-to-back possessions and leaving the Bearcats behind by 13 points with a little over a minute to play. Although the Bearcats had regained some momentum, the clock wasn't in their



MEGAN MEIDINGER

Sophomore wing Kari Woody looks for help against a stingy defense in the Nov. 30 game against Western Baptist.

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favor.

The players' scoring was balanced amongst both teams. Freshman point guard Laura Payne finished the game with 10 points and four boards, and sophomore wing Kari Woody totaled eight points, respectively. The shooting percentage is noteworthy because each team shot better than 45 percent. Willamette shot 46 percent from the floor, while Western Baptist shot a season-high 49 percent.

Overall, the game was a competitive and well-fought, but again, it was not the ideal outcome. "We have lost games, but we are not settling. We are constantly trying to push one another in practice and get better so that we can play to our potential as a team to show everyone that we do not give up no matter the situation. We are out here to compete and win," Bell said, commenting on the loss.

Support the Bearcat women as they play Cascade College this Friday evening.

That's the best gift a girl could ever hope for

LINDA
AHMED

I got it!

Something magical, amazing, and wonderful has happened to me just in time for the holiday season. I got my first column response.

Week after week, I sit at my computer scrolling through ESPN.com, CNN, the New York Times Sports, D3hoops.com and harass anyone around me for column ideas. Believe me, it's not easy. It's hard work. I have to find a topic that catches my eye, or ear, and decide if I have an opinion and whether or not being a day over deadline should affect my decision. Usually it's the latter. Sometimes it turns out well, sometimes not. I know that. There are definitely days that I look over my column after it's been published and wonder what the hell I was on when I wrote it the night before. Who knows, today might be one of those not-so-good days.

I've had people come up and comment on my column before, and I like it when they do come up to me and talk about my writing. Even if someone screams in my face and calls me a no-talent douche bag, I'm just happy that someone

wants to talk to me.

I know I've already said it, but it really is work to write a column, especially on sports. There are so many numbers that need to be right and so many little details; forming a coherent opinion becomes pretty exhausting and sometimes a little boring. Don't get me wrong. I really do like being able to write whatever I feel about sports situations and have it published each week. It's just that some weeks are a little easier than others.

I guess the point is that I'm just happy to find out that there is at least one person out there who reads what I write. Whether the response is agreeing with me or not, I love, and I mean love, to know that I can move a student enough that he takes the time to write to me, of all people. I mean, think about it. The person that wrote to me had to work for it. He had to take the time to get the paper, turn the pages until he got to the second to the last page, read my column at the bottom of that page, flip to the front of the paper, look down the list of names for mine, go find a computer, sign on the web-mail, carefully type in my e-mail address and send me a note. How amazing is that? All that work just for me. That's the best gift a girl could ever hope for.

CAMPUS SAFETY REPORT

November 28 – December 5, 2004

This week, Campus Safety responded to over 142 calls for service.

BURGLARY

November 29, 12:30 p.m. (Matthews Hall): A student reported that items were stolen from his room over Thanksgiving break.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

November 30, 1:45 a.m. (Sigma Alpha Epsilon): Three students at Matthews were reportedly being loud and drinking alcohol. One of them was seen spraying a fire extinguisher near Montag before they all entered SAE.

December 3, 2:37 a.m. (University Apartments): Three suspects were seen leaving the UAP with a fire extinguisher. A heavily sprayed vehicle was later found on Mill Street. Suspects also damaged several plastic signs in the UAP.

December 3, 4:14 a.m. (Hatfield Library): An employee discovered that someone had broken into a vending machine.

December 3, 10:30 a.m. (TIUA): A student reported that someone had walked on top of her vehicle. The suspect left footprints and dented the roof.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL AID

November 28, 1:58 a.m. (Baxter Hall): A student reported someone had vomited and passed out in the lobby. A male student was found to be unconscious and very intoxicated. He was transported to the hospital by ambulance. He was not a Baxter resident.

November 30, 2:40 a.m. (Shepard Hall): A student suffering from severe stomach pains was transported to the Salem Hospital for treatment.

December 2, 3:45 p.m. (Baxter Hall): An employee was seen by WEMS after she reported

feeling faint.

December 2, 7:39 p.m. (Baxter Hall): A student reported that she wasn't feeling well. After an assessment by WEMS, she was transported to the hospital.

December 3, 11:01 a.m. (Baxter Hall): A student was seen by WEMS after reporting severe neck pain. She was taken to Bishop Wellness Center for further treatment.

THEFT

November 30, 7:29 p.m. (Law School): A student who left a bicycle at the bike rack reported someone had stolen the seat.

December 1, 2:00 p.m. (Goudy Commons): A student reported his backpack had been stolen from a cubby, it was later found.

** If you have information about any of these incidents, please contact Campus Safety.*

Thanks for the great semester! Expect more awesome changes in the Collegian next semester. See you on the flip side.

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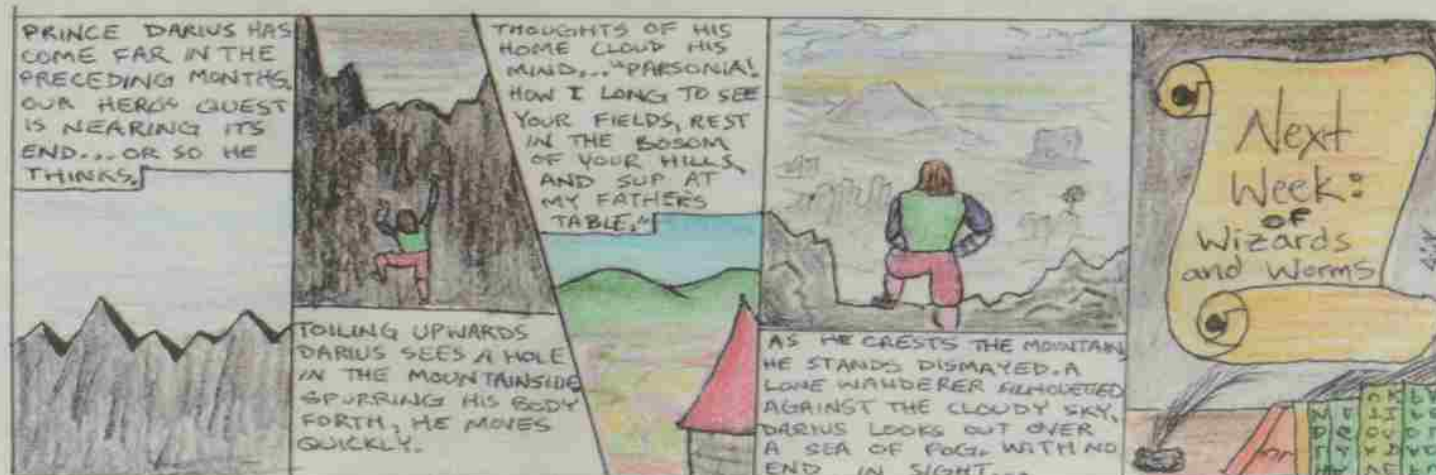
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